

THE SOUTH KENTUCKIAN.

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HOPKINSVILLE, MAR. 25, 1879.

Political Candidates—Shall candidates canvass.

Rhode Island—Won't you have a Segar Governor?

Selling goods by sample is incurably expensive.

The Democratic platform—A repeal of all laws which permit fraud in elections.

"The Drummer" system is opposed by wholesale merchants and manufacturers.

Dr. Blackburn has a greater number of personal friends than any other man in Kentucky.

The Mater-manial market dull, is the way one of our enterprising correspondents quotes it.

Let our Legislature impose a heavy tax upon traveling salesmen, selling goods by sample.

The Republican Convention of Rhode Island has re-nominated the old corps of State officers.

The American Bible Society reports a greater demand for the Bible than has ever before existed.

The Princeton Banner thinks that there will be a Greenback candidate for the Senate in that district.

The latest and most reliable reports from the canvass can be found in our telegraphic columns this morning.

The press of the State is being sapped of its legitimate patronage by this expensive system of drumming.

Fourteen Tennessee towns have applied to the Legislature for repeal of their charters, and there are others yet to hear from.

Merchants and manufacturers would hail the day that broke up the system of selling goods by sample as one of great gladness.

The City of Louisville instructed for Governor, Blackburn; Lieutenant Governor, Cantrill; Atty General, Jones; Auditor, Hewitt.

Randall glories in the victory of having been re-elected speaker of the House. We dare say his election is better for the Democracy.

Gruelle, of the Breckinridge News, says the Toledo Blade is mistaken. Southern ladies never dip snuff any more than Northern ladies get drunk.

Hanson Penn Diltz, who unaccountably lost his watch some time ago, has recovered it. Returned to him through the mail, with no compliments.

How is it? Tax on manufacturing tobacco been reduced 8 cents per pound, and the planter receiving the same old 23¢ @ 4¢. Can't somebody explain?

England's wise heads kick against Canada's recent increase of Tariff on imports. Great men are occasionally like asses, they kick to prove that they are well heeled.

Dr. Blackburn can reconcile himself with the thought that he is not the only political physician in this country. Senator Withers, of Virginia, is an active M. D.

Capital punishment has just been restored to Switzerland, and the same may be said of our country since it has been weighted down with the specious trade dollar.

Osmán Pasha, the hero of Plevna, is considered the most probable successor to the Grand Vizier. Will a kind providence never teach that army officers are not always statesmen?

About 100 Democrats and 34 Republicans and Independents were elected to the Constitutional Convention of Louisiana, and the Returning Board didn't do its dirty work either.

Our set of Appleton's Cyclopaedia is not yet entirely received, consequently carnivorous subscribers will have to be denied their blood, bone and bullet sa-ge from the Afghan war.

This extravagant method of reaching the trade through a personal representative has consumed the profits of wholesale dealers, and on every hand comes from them cries of down with this modern departure.

The drummer system may be truly called the outgrowth of enterprise and energy, nevertheless it is based on extravagance and has demonstrated the fact that to support it, goods must be sold at a greater profit.

The Trigg Democrat tells us something which we have known for a long time, that Hon Jas. B. Garnett is not a candidate for the Senate. But how is it, Judge, that Trigg has the "Ohio Idea?" Christian people divide with their neighbors.

Only a few more days are left despondent candidates for State offices in which to say their prayers, count their beads and gloat over the delusive possibility of their probable nomination. The thing has now assumed a somewhat definite form, and to hope against the inevitable issue, is to hope against hope.

The State has a school population of 476,000. About \$900,000 was the fund to support it for the past year, of which the Superintendent and county Commissioners got about \$50,000.

A very good text for Legislative candidates to preach from.

The press of the State is its letter of credit, its letter of education, its letter of challenge to fraud and the legitimate avenger of wrongs perpetrated on its people. Will the people not support it by breaking up a system of selling goods by sample, so detrimental to its best interests?

A reporter has interviewed the members of Congress from Kentucky, and they give it as their opinion that Tilden will not receive the vote of Kentucky in Convention. Thurman is preferred. Our Congressmen have truthfully and accurately reflected our sentiment.

Manufacturers would greatly prefer representing the merits of their goods through the live columns of a respectable press, but since the expensive system of selling by sample has been gradually forced upon them the necessity of patronizing newspapers is a dead letter.

The Courier-Journal published a summary of the instructed vote for State officers and not less than fifteen of our State exchanges have been trapped. Perhaps they have found out by this time that the table was in fact by a hundred or so votes, and it's a pity they indorsed it without credit.

Queen Victoria has expressed a desire to see Canada, and the Prince of Wales is urging her to visit both Canada and the United States. If she only had a few good editors in her Cabinet she could go whenever agreeable, for the'd be sure to have extra free passes somewhere about.

Rochester has an anti-trading society whose members bind themselves not to allow anybody else to pay for their drinks, and when that society reaches the full fruition of its principles the spiritual record of those city saloon keepers will be called to good (?) accounts.

The Hon. Boyd Winchester, of Louisville, introduced a resolution in the Convention there Saturday, instructing Hon. Albert Willis, Congressman from that district, to oppose an early adjournment of Congress, and demanding that the infamous Supervisors Law shall be repealed. And the Hon. Boyd Winchester is exactly level headed, too.

The Greenback Convention was held in Frankfort on the 20th inst. The following are the nominations: Governor, James Stewart, of Davless; Lieut. Governor, Dr. B. Lewis, of Hardin; Atty. General, Isaac Trabue, of Louisville; Auditor, Henry Potter, of Warren; Treasurer, Jno. Walcutt, of Franklin; Register, Jno. McMurry, of Fayette.

The canvass statistician, of the Courier-Journal, has great responsibility on his shoulders; he is carrying, it seems, the veracity of nearly the entire country press, in that it stily publishes after him, without giving credit to a hundred, and when he mistakes by a hundred, of course those who copy without credit catch themselves most effectually.

The bullion in the Bank of England has increased two and a quarter million dollars during the last week, and they didn't read our last week's editorial on money matters either. The South Kentuckian will not reach there until about all fool's day, and until then they'll have to put up with a system of financing that nets only two million a week.

The Legislatures of Tennessee and Virginia are considering the propriety of repudiation, or readjustment as they call it, of their state debts. Shame to these political repudiators. The "Code" demands for honor a candid promise to pay, whether it is ever done or not, and we had given these august bodies credit for having a better knowledge of the ways of the world.

The election of Randall to the Speakership of the House would be a victory for Tilden.

The election of Dick Wright, Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, and Burch of Tennessee, Secretary of the same body, may safely be set down as a Hendricks victory.—(Lexington Courier.)

A way far back in the sombre ages, somebody casually tossed, 'A drowning man will catch at a straw', and although it is thought that Solomon didn't anticipate every great event of the future, it "may safely be set down" as how he got a wind of this case in question.

The wholesale manner in which capitalists of this and other countries are investing money in 4 per cent. Government bonds furnishes a partial solution to the scarcity of money in circulation. This can only be remedied by changing the legal rate of interest on money loans from 6 per cent to 8. While the laws of the State allow such a small rate of interest for money, government securities come in direct conflict with individual credit and money lodges itself in the most secure position of the two; whereas, if the legal rate of interest was 8 per cent on money loans, and government securities bringing only four per cent, there would be no conflict in the two avenues of investment, and the difference between the revenue received from a dollar invested in government bonds, bearing 4 per cent. interest, and the revenue received from a dollar loaned to a private individual at 8 per cent. would be so large as to induce the investor to neglect government bonds and to loan privately.

We shall do nothing to advance the claims of any candidate for the democratic nomination for the Legislature, who is not convinced as to the damaging results of the "Drummer" system. Retail merchants must buy their goods cheaply in order to sell cheaply; the drummer system forces them to pay at least ten per cent higher prices than they would otherwise.

The people are depressed, money is scarce, times are hard, and to clothe and feed his family, is about all a horny handed farmer can now do. If this system of selling goods by sample can be broken up, goods can be purchased at from ten to fifteen per cent less, and the money thus saved can be readily applied to ward educating our children, or paying private debts. The people should arise in their might and demand that the system shall be forestalled.

The Democrats of Indiana have just done a very discreditable piece of party work. Holding a majority power, they have caused a new Congressional apportionment, or linking together of Counties, in the State which will gain three Congressmen for themselves—two from the Republicans and one from the Nationals. Democracy should scorn to gain power by such cold-blooded murder of a minority's rights.

The new Democratic Congress is composed of too bright material to be scared into early adjournment without repealing the infamous supervisor of election laws. The Republican party threats, taunts and dares the Democrats to take any official action to such a repeal, and it is sincerely to be hoped they will pick up the gauntlet. We will lose nothing by holding our session until June 1st.

The Common School System.

There are 117 school Commissioners in the State who receive \$35,700 yearly for their services. The total amount of money disbursed on the common schools of the State, is about \$900,000 yearly—These Commissioners average over \$300 salary each, or 5 per cent. of the entire fund; for which they give on an average about ten days work. Very good wages for these hard money times—Our next Legislature would do well to look into the matter. The Trigg Democrat, a level headed, bold and independent journal has hit the nail somewhere about the head, and comes to the front with some timely advice. Judge Wilkinson, the editor of that paper, who is a candidate for the Senate from that district and who would honor the position if elected to it, has just expressed himself on the expensively conducted common school system of the State as follows:

An examination into the practical workings of our common school system shows that there is too heavy a drain upon it in the way of salaries. In the first place there is a State Superintendent with a salary of \$3,000, and one clerk who is paid the sum of \$1,000; there are 117 Commissioners who receive an annual salary of \$100 each. In addition to this they are allowed the sum of \$3.00 for each district and one per cent. on all the funds received and disbursed. There are 5,000 districts in the State, which at \$3.00 each will aggregate the sum of \$15,000. To this add the annual salaries of 117 Commissioners at \$100 each, and we have the further sum of \$11,700. The amount is further swelled by the percentage on the total school fund disbursed and disbursed one per cent. on \$900,000, making \$9,000 additional. A summary shows:

One Superintendent	\$ 3,000
One Clerk	1,000
117 Commissioners, (at \$100)	11,700
5,000 School districts (at \$3.00)	15,000
Percentage on \$900,000	9,000
Add exp'ses printing reports, &c	10,000
Total expenses	\$49,700

It will be seen that the annual expenses of the system are over 5 per cent. of the fund. This is a heavy drain upon the educational fund of the State. A machine that loses one twentieth of its power by friction, and defective construction is too costly for practical purposes. A school system that requires an expenditure of five per cent. of its resources to run is a very defective one. The school fund was created for the benefit of the children of the State; it belongs to them and not to a rapacious set of office holders. It will be the duty of the next Legislature to apply the retrenchment knife to these high salaries and cut them down to the level of a salary of \$2,000 for the Superintendent. This will give a saving of about \$2,000. Repeal the law allowing commissioners \$3.00 for each district, which is never visited, and here is another saving of \$15,000. Let the duties be imposed on the County Court Clerk to receive the census reports from school trustees, reports of schools taught, draw his warrants on the Superintendent for the amount due each teacher, and disburse the same; and for these services allow him one per cent. on the amount so received and paid out. The enactment of such a law would save to the school fund \$11,700 paid in the way of salaries to commissioners. There is not a clerk in the State who would not willingly perform these duties for the compensation of one per cent. on the amount so received and paid out to the children of the State by the proposed reduction? The following figures will show:

Superintendent reduction	\$ 2,000
5,000 districts \$3.00 each	15,000
117 Commissioners at \$100 each	11,700
Reduce expenses of printing	5,000
Total amount saved	\$33,700

Columbus Upson, after a heated contest in the convention, was nominated from the sixth district of Texas, to fill the place of Representative Schleicher, deceased.

The Clark Democrat says there is a movement on foot in Buick county, to petition the next Legislature to abolish all toll gates in the county and place the roads under the charge of a road commissioner, who will superintend and keep them in repair out of a fund to be provided by the county for that purpose.

THE STATE—IT'S NEWS.

The Bee Keeper's Convention will meet in Lexington, May 5th.

What is looking fine in Union county.

An orange colored mole has been caught in Ohio county.

The meeting of the State Medical Society, in Danville, has been postponed from April 28th to May 13th.

In Covington the average cost of a district scholar is \$13, while that of the High school pupil is \$63.

A ewe of Shelby county has produced five living lambs, and is only two years old.

Only two candidates for the Legislature in Hopkins, both Democrats, and they have been having some very germinating weather, too.

Valuation of taxable property in Shelbyville, has decreased \$135,000 since last year.

The Grand Jury returned true bills against every saloon in Shelbyville, except one, for selling intoxicating liquors to minors.

Washington Watchman: The house where Lincoln's father and mother were married is still standing. The land lies seven miles north of town, and belongs to Mr. Thos. Reed.

SHELBY SENTINEL.—The great mortality among the convicts confined in the Kentucky Penitentiary is now exciting considerable comment, and calls loudly for some legislation in regard to the matter.

TAGO. (Democrat.) The candidates for the Legislature have been going the rounds of the justices court this week.

Mr. Thomas Amos of Caldwell county led the beautiful and charming Miss Lela Wall, of Wallonia to the hymeneal altar Thursday evening.

Out of three thousand five hundred children of pupils age in the county, the attendance on our district schools does not reach two-thirds of that number.

A Hopkinsville tobacco warehouseman reported the leaf on hand the other day as varied in color as "Jacob's coat." He ought to attend Sabbath school.

John R. Averitt, Commissioner of Common Schools, requests us to say that 60 per cent of the fund due teachers whose schools have been taught in full, is on hand and ready for distribution on application.

It was a Hopkinsville bean who called on a lady in this place a few nights since, and after taking a tender leave at a late hour, returned shortly afterwards to inquire the way to the hotel.

We know of but one bean from Hopkinsville who has visited your city on affairs "de business." You repudiated him, so we shall make no conjectures in this connection.—[E. S. K.]

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Circuit Court meets on the first Monday in next month. The docket is the lightest for many years.

Mr. F. L. Ellis and wife, of Hopkinsville, came down last Tuesday to attend the wedding. They returned home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Lamb came down from Hopkinsville Tuesday to attend the Dempsey-Holeman wedding. They returned home the following day.

A correspondent of Dalton, in this county, sends us the following: Mr. L. S. McFayle was out in the woods last week looking for timber, when his dog started a fox and ran it to a cliff near Mr. McFayle. He went to examine the place and found a large crevice in the rock. By prizing a small rock away he found an opening large enough to admit a man. He procured a lantern, and went in and found a room about twenty by thirty feet. At the north corner he found another door, and passing that he entered a large chamber, about fifty feet wide and thirty or forty yards long. In one corner he found several old rusty metal buttons and eight Mexican dollars, bearing date of 1796, and an old metal pipe he supposed to have been a knife. It crumbled like clay when pressed. Near by was an old flintlock musket. In another part of the chamber was a human skeleton. There are numerous traditions in regard to buried treasures about the "rock house." This is but a few hundred yards from what is known as the "rock house." It is believed by our people that Mr. Fayle has found the place where the treasures are stored.

On the east side of the cave there is a stratum of fluor spar, about ten inches thick. This is an interesting discovery, and will be fully investigated.

One day last week Elder Harry Davis, pastor of the Christian church at this place, was made the recipient of a wagon load of provisions, presented by some of the members of his church. This was quite an agreeable surprise to Mr. Davis, but one of course, for which he feels deeply grateful. It was a nice complement to an estimable gentleman and a faithful laborer in the cause of christianity.

CALDWELL (Banner.) A large area in this county will be sown in clover and grass this spring.

For two or three years the water from Mr. A. J. Martin's well, about a mile from town, has tasted of coal oil, very slightly at first, but more and more as time has moved on, until now his family has been compelled to quit the use of the water from the well. This fact, of course, indicates beyond all doubt the presence of coal oil. It can indicate nothing else. Whether it is near by in sufficient quantity to justify an effort to get at it and take it from its hiding place, an investigation will tell.

Mr. Martin will this week send a quantity of the water to a distinguished chemist in Louisville to be analyzed; and, if the report of its analysis is favorable, he will make an effort to sink a shaft, etc.

Archbishop Purcell.

A letter to the public from Archbishop Purcell is published. After reciting the struggles of his early life, the necessity of going into debt to provide for the wants of the diocese, etc, he dwells on his present financial troubles. He states that it can be safely said that not more than \$500,000 was the amount of money deposited. The rest is the result of compound interest. As proof he cites an instance which occurred where a creditor called with a claim of \$1,100. In presenting it he admitted that \$800 of it was interest, and expressed a willingness to accept \$300, the amount of the original deposit. The claim of hundreds are of the same nature. The indebtedness of the diocese in equity does not amount to more than a million of dollars, to place it at the highest figure.

It says, further, that for twenty years no general collection has been taken up for the support of the Diocesan Seminary, the entire burden of educating the priests falling upon the Archbishop. He paid the salaries of the professors, and fed, clothed and educated the seminarians. He also paid the expenses during the same period for ecclesiastical students at Monst. St. Mary's, Emmetsburg, in France, and at Rome. In twenty years these expenses, which in justice the whole diocese should have borne, amounted to a vast sum.

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Taxation in Russia.

In Russia taxes are collected in this way: A peasant, representative of a district comprising several villages, is charged with the duty of collecting a certain amount of money, and it is the business of the people to distribute the taxes among themselves as they like the best. For the prompt collection, in the first place, the representative is responsible, and in case of tardiness, he is imprisoned for a week with common criminals, and furnished with food at cost of three cents a day. A district is obliged to pay for all its members, whether they are actual residents, or have gone elsewhere, or are in the army. In case a tax collector is unable to do his duty he reports to the authorities, then the police appear armed with rods, and if the rods do not secure the desired result, the property of delinquents is sold at auction.

THE AGRICULTURIST.—No man is so high as to be independent of the success of this great interest; no man is so slow as not to be effected by its prosperity or decline. Agriculture feeds us, to a great degree it clothes us; without it we could not have manufactures, and we should not have commerce. These all stand together, but they stand together like pillars in a cluster, the largest in the center, and that largest is agriculture. We live in a country of small farms and freeholds tenements; a country in which men cultivate with their own fee simple acres, drawing not only their subsistence, but also their spirit of independence and manly freedom, from the ground they plow. They are at once its owners, cultivators and defenders. The cultivators of the earth is the most important labor of men. Man may be civilized, in some degree, without great progress in manufactures, and with little commerce with his distant neighbors; but without cultivation of the earth he is, in all countries, a savage. When tillage begins, other arts follow. The farmers, therefore, are the founders of human civilization.—Daniel Webster.

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SOCIALITIES.

Mr. Wm. Cowan went over to Nashville last week.

Jno. Twyman, has returned from the Baltimore Dental College.

Miss Willie Wharton, of Trigg, is visiting Miss Fannie Randolph.

"Honest John" Monyon, has returned from the East.

Mr. Sandy Dick, of Louisville, is visiting this city.

Miss Sallie Glass is spending a few days in town with her relations.

Miss Ella Calumie was the guest of Bethel Female College on Sunday.

The Rev. Mr. Pringle, of Henderson, visited friends in this city last Friday.

Miss Mary Cooper, of Bennetts-town, returned to her home yesterday evening.

Miss Mollie Smith, of Madisonville, is visiting the family of Mr. E. W. Henderson.

Mr. & Mrs. J. Dinkelspiel, together with their "irrepressible Joe," will return from the East in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gant, Mrs. A. E. Roucette and Miss Mamie Barnes, went over to Nashville last Friday.

Mr. James Thompson, a prominent tobaccoist, of Louisville, is in the city, the guest of Dr. L. B. Hickman.

Rev. Chas. Morris, of Grace Episcopal church, went over to Henderson to supply the Rev. Mr. Pringle's pulpit there last Sunday.

Mr. Thos. Gaines, a promising young man of Montgomery, has accepted a position as traveling salesman for Messrs. Metcalf & Sons.

Mrs. Ellis White and Miss Mollie Rives, of Graves county, are visiting friends in this county, we learn from the Mayfield Democrat.

Bishop Dudley is expected to arrive here Thursday, and it is stated that several persons will be confirmed, among the number, that clever young gentleman, Howard Speck.

The meeting of the "New Era Cooking Club," at the residence of Mr. Jas. A. Wallace, on Thursday night last, was well attended by the elite of the city, and we hear it pronounced, on every hand, one of the most enjoyable events of the season. We regret that circumstances placed a barrier in the way of our attendance.

We congratulate our young attorney friend, C. M. Meacham, on his success in prevailing on the jury to place the penalty of his client, Mrs. Nannie Gracie, at only two years in the Penitentiary. The evidence was clear and positive in the case, and two years was the least punishment the law allowed for the crime of which she was charged.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Mr. C. W. Brame advertises an extra copy. See notice.

Messrs. M. Hanna & Co. are prepared to do all kinds of machine work, casting and moulding within the compass of iron work, and at lowest city rates. See their advertisement.

Mr. Jas. M. Howe, having recently purchased the interest of W. H. Howe in the resplendent jewelry establishment, on the corner of Main and Spring Streets, offers his services to the trade and respectfully solicits an inspection of his stock. He is too well known to our citizens as an experienced workman to need any recommendation from us, and his immense stock of beautiful goods on hand will command customers at all times.

Attention is called to the advertisement of Blumenstiel, McCamy & Bonte. These gentlemen have been successfully conducting their large manufacturing for carriages, buggies, phaetons &c., in our city for many years and have given universal satisfaction. They are practical and experienced workmen, giving their undivided efforts to the business, warranting every piece of work, and guaranteeing prices as low as any house in Kentucky. Customers will find it to their interests to call and see their work.

Mr. G. H. Brandon has established his reputation as a life jeweler by unceasing effort to compete with any of the larger cities. He has on hand a varied and well assorted stock of fashionable jewelry, to all of which he respectfully solicits the attention of the trade. He has a life long experienced workman in his establishment, Mr. August Walkire, and the public may feel assured that anything entrusted to the house will be faithfully dealt with. We unhesitatingly endorse this house as strictly reliable in every respect. An examination of Mr. Brandon's stock of beautiful goods will establish the fact that prices have been reduced to coincide with the general financial depression.

Circuit Court.

Very little business of importance has been before the Court.

Following cases have been disposed of: George Garrett, cold, sentenced to the Penitentiary for 5 years—manslaughter.

Cyrus Wilcox, cold. Penitentiary 8 years—manslaughter.

Nancy Grady, cold. Penitentiary 2 years—grand larceny.

Belle Ewing, cold. Penitentiary 2½ years—grand larceny.

The Grand Jury found 83 true bills, and indictments were returned to the Court accordingly.

THE TOWN'S TALK.

New street lamp in front of Court-house door.

Brother Meacham sild her off on two years.

Mr. M. Schmidt is making informal improvements in his store house.

Large number of emigrants passing through town—going Westward.

The walls of the Episcopal Church are being repaired and the roof being recovered.

"Sebastian," at Beverly, will please call at this office and learn something advantageous.

The morning capers of the elements at Midnight of the 21st, would seem to suggest that equi-inox is a dark-war-horse.

Mr. Burrell Jones, is building a handsome cottage residence, opposite that of Mr. G. A. Champlin, on Nashville street.

Next Monday is County Court day. Clean off your trading stock, look up your pocket book, and begin to school your conscience for telling creditors you're out of cash.

Remember that S. H. Turner sells at the City Confectionery, Stationery, notions, canned fruits, tropical fruits, cigars and tobacco; also a nice selection of candies.

Mr. and Mrs. Hart will return from the East to-morrow, with a large and well selected stock of goods. The public will find it to their interest to give Mr. Hart a call, at his store near the Depot.

The temperance meeting at the Methodist Church last Sunday night proved a total failure so far as the lecture was concerned. In fact, from what we can hear, we give it as our opinion that the temperate people of the town have been imposed on by a wayward representative of a patent coffee-pot.

Hopkinsville has a son, who has, in many respects, distinguished himself: Been married nine years, in which time he has followed four different trades and two professions; moved forty-four times, and still wears his pants in his boots with as much unchangeable pride, as if he were a grasshopper to boast of being the coat-of-arms of Kansas.

The carrying and concealing capacity of a water sprinkler is being constantly demonstrated under our noses. A faithful old colored man-servant passes under our office window at stated intervals with a cheery cobbler in the bottom of a water-sprinkler, with nice lemon peel, nutmeg, mint and egg froth fixings swimming all on its surface. This "cragel world" makes a fellow think he has mumps whether or no.

A bold thief entered the residence of Mr. R. T. Reasons on last Friday night, with the intention of robbing him of an amount of money presumed to be in his possession. Mr. Reasons was awakened and endeavored to lay hold of the scoundrel but failed, owing to his precipitate retreat through a window. A close chase was made after the thief as far as the yard fence, and as soon as that was cleared safely the impudent villain came out cheerily, "Oh! yes sir, now you can't get me." It would be a good idea for citizens to follow our recipe, by keeping a revolver handy to deal out justice to those nightly cut-throats, thieves and assassins.

Tobacco Exchange.

The Tobacco Exchange has been removed to its old stand, in the rear of Williams & Gregory, Rink building. The room which has been used for the conduct of the sales, during the past few weeks, up stairs, over the old Bryan warehouse, proving too small.

Marriage Licenses Issued in March.

Geo. Woolton to Laura Fowler; Henry Cobb to M. J. Berry; Richard L. Milton to Virginia A. Woodson; R. E. Purdy to L. G. Morris; Henry B. Hill to Virginia C. Mason.

For Sale.

A beautiful two-horse Rockaway in good condition, used but very little, will guarantee the carriage for one year. Price \$100; cost \$700 when new. Reason for selling, the owner wants money. Apply at Blumenstiel, McCamy & Bonte's Carriage Factory.

Large Sale of Personal Property.

The sale of the personal property of the late Squire L. Bryant, by the Executor, took place at the family residence, near Bellevue, on Friday last. The attendance was large and everything brought fair prices, on twelve months time, without interest.

It is stated that Jesse Underwood, who had last fall been brought from the Lexington jail to the Bath county jail to be tried for killing Trombo several years ago in Bath, had escaped, is at present living with his father. He is always armed with two seven-shooters and an eight-shot Spencer rifle.

The Union Local says that Rev. W. D. Morton, of the Presbyterian Church and Rev. G. B. Overton, of the Methodist church, have been carrying on a joint meeting the past week—alternating their sermons.

By a careful and continued application for a time it may be solved, and we can but think, RYOUR when solved, a not very RPA great length of time RPA will elapse before the benefit of this solution P will be felt in a form that we can readily appreciate.

The expenses of our government are estimated at \$380,000,000 per annum, or more than six dollars to each person in the land.

From Bellevue:

Heads up gentlemen, and hurrah for Blackburn.

Another cold snap has just passed, killed a great many of the early tobacco plants. A good many of the farmers reason their tobacco beds in consequence.

Dead loads of robins have made their appearance.

Information relative to the raging of hog-cholera continues to be received. The bulk of information demonstrates the fact that the disease is not only infectious but contagious.

Miss Maud Whitehead, of Cedar Bluff, a young lady of rare charms, is visiting the family of Mr. Henry Bryant.

A new firm in town—J. Q. McGee, Donnelly & Co.—who are extensively engaged in the "sassafras tea" business. "Darcy," the spicy correspondent for the Trigg Democrat, is sole manufacturer and proprietor of the tea. The firm stands on a basis of their new enterprise.

Dog hanging seems to be the order of the day, as a good many are "swinging in the lane" to the end of saplings bent over for the purpose.

Esq. Clark's court comes off next Saturday. But few cases on docket yet.

Mr. O'Donally has at last completed the distern at which he has been hammering for the brief season of five months.

Henry Clark, who was thrown from a horse a few days ago, is rapidly recovering from his injuries and will soon be able to go fishing again.

Mr. Ellis, who resides near here, had some four or five hundred pounds of his best tobacco stolen from his barn on Friday night last. No definite clue to the thief has yet been ascertained, though suspicion rests upon several.

The sale which took place at the Bryant farm, on Saturday was largely attended and satisfactory figures were realized for the property sold.

DIEN.—At the residence of his mother, Mrs. M. H. Dinkelspiel, on the 19th, 1879, Samuel Dinkelspiel, in the 21st year of his age. The subject of this notice was a highly respected young man, beloved by all who knew him and was a member of the Baptist church, in which he has lived a constant member since his 14th year, when he united with the church. His widowed mother, though debared the blessed privilege of earthly meetings, rejoices to know, how bliss the thought!

There is a place where spirits blend, Where friends hold fellowship with friend, Who's answered far, by faith we meet, Around the common memory seat!

SHORT FELLOW.

March 24th, 1879.

Pembroke.

All the talk now among farmers is the coming crop and the present prices of tobacco.

Our esteemed tobaccoists, Messrs. Blumenstiel, McCamy & Co., are doing but little in the way of buying loose tobacco this season, but are devoting most of their time to their farms.

Capt. Thos. Smith has just opened a commission and auction house in our town. We wish him much success. We are sure that few cleverer men than the old captain, his has been afflicted for several years and we are truly glad to see him able to attend to business.

We had a little Smith broil here a few days ago; it got pretty hot, but did not reach the turning over point. John Donally John is always in a fuss, John Smith had nothing to do with it.

Our Good Templars troop of which we spoke last week, went over to Fairview on Friday night and gave an entertainment. They were favored with a good house and good music. They received a large number of the good people of the village and were cordially invited to visit them soon again.

There were two drunken men in town last week—th. first I have seen here for several months; that is white. It was something so unusual, that some of the boys collected a lot of old boxes and barrels and kindled a bonfire, to think the good old times were returning, as there was a breach in the old order that has stood the pressure so long. Don't rejoice so soon boys, we intend to fight the old song to the bitter end.

It is said that there was a ghost seen around the corner a few nights ago, and so reported by a little boy who ran into a crowd of large boys, one of the bravest of whom declared that he was not afraid of any ghost that ever wore hair, clothes or feathers, led the way, and they repeated the story. Our hero told the other boys to stand back, he proposed to take the fort, and approached exclaimed "he drew near, stick in hand, now John, shed your linen or I am going through her; and turning his back and tucking his head to shield his eyes, in case pepper should be thrown, backed up and gave a tremendous thrust, this condition was that of a hoop at the time which caused the critter to throw his sledge at him and struck him about midway. The boys say he rolled like a hoop for ten yards, and then limped off at full length. On examination the ghost was found to be "John Dickinson's old white mule."

Esq. Jas. Richardson has been quite ill during the past week, but is now able to sit up.

THE KENTUCKIAN is a very welcome messenger to our midst. We are glad to see our people so well pleased with it. We sent you a club that on a short time ago, and hope your number will be doubly as large at this office before the year is out.

As news is in the same condition as our finances we subscribe ourselves.

Mar. 24, 79.

There will be nineteen ex-Confederate officers in the Senate, and but four ex-Federal officers. The following is the roll-call of the ex-Confederates:

Morgan, Gordon, Garland, Williams, Walker, Jones, Calhoun, Lamar, Cockrell, Butler, Ransom, Hampton, Vance, Harris, Withers, Johnston, Coke, Maxey, Logan, Burnside, Plumb, Kellogg.

A dispatch from Pennsylvania states that a scientific examination of the sulphur which fell in the shower over the Lehigh Valley proves it to be the pollen from a species of pine caught up by the wind and carried from the New Jersey forests.

SUMMARY OF THE WEEK.

Omaha taxes property 5 per cent. Iron has advanced five per cent.

They have had another destructive prairie fire in Kansas.

There are only 360 fast days in the Abyssinian year.

The peanut crop of North Carolina is 40,000 bushels short.

The U. S. Government sold eleven and a quarter million acres of land last year.

Pennsylvania's cremation furnace is to be speedily turned into a popcorn factory.

The prosecuting committee in the case of Mr. Talmage commenced work yesterday.

Tennessee makes \$70,000 a year out of its penitentiary.

The Southern Bank at New Orleans has suspended.

The Merchants' and Traders' Bank at New Orleans has suspended.

Connecticut proposes to punish tramps with one year in the penitentiary, or ten lashes and six months in the work house.

Georgia exempts from taxation for ten years to come, all capital invested in the manufacture of woolen and cotton goods.

The Chinese government has purchased machinery and engaged experienced engineers and spinners in Germany to establish a cotton mill in China.

The number of hogs packed in the West this season is fully 7,445,000. There is an increase of ten pounds in the average weight of the hogs compared with those of last year.

The Albany Argus says: There was a negro born in Kentucky some years since whose tongue was covered with a natural coat of hair.

Diamonds, in large quantities, so it is said, and very valuable, have been dug up recently on a South Bend, Indiana, farm.

The St. Louis Times Journal, with much feeling, remarks: "We hope Colonel Gates is in good luck, but that doesn't give us back our \$350,000."

The Governor of Texas has approved the bill appropriating six hundred thousand dollars to the public schools.

The Railway Age puts the annual cost of working a Pullman car, including the employees' pay, at \$4,000.

One-third of Chicago's population is German, and a heavily edged proportion of the public school-teaching is done in the German language.

The North Carolina State Senate, by vote of 21 yeas and 10 nays, has adopted a resolution instructing a special committee to incorporate in the bill for the sale of spirituous liquors the principle of the bell punch now in use in Virginia.

The changes which have taken place in the Senate of the United States are indicated by the table below:

States. In place of. In place of.

Ark. G. S. Hendricks, D. G. S. Hendricks, D. Ark. J. D. Walker, D. W. Dorey, R. Ark. J. D. Walker, D. W. Dorey, R. Ark. J. D. Walker, D. W. Dorey, R.

There are many strange anomalies in French laws and French customs. A young girl who recently shot her betrothed because he refused to keep his promise of marriage has just been acquitted at Bordeaux; and yet French law takes into no account breach of promise; nor has a girl who married a man on the claim on her lover even for the support of a child. The murdered man, therefore, committed no illegal act, and the girl who took the law into her own hands is acquitted, to the great delight of a crowded court.

The exiles over a large amount of money and valuable jewelry supposed to have been stolen from Cumberland county, has turned out to be a myth.

Boynton, the swimmer from Pittsburg to New Orleans, nearly lost his life by the swift current in the falls at Louisville.

Church Hill.

The thought happily conceived by several of our gallant young men, to add to the enjoyment of a number of young ladies, a visit from Maxfield, Ky., by giving a hop or banquet in their honor, was brilliantly carried into execution at the residence of Mrs. Mary D. Ford, on last Monday night. Mrs. Ford, with her usual cleverness, opened wide the doors of her mansion and gave a magnificent dinner to the guests. The spacious parlor was brightly lighted, and by eight o'clock, when Dame Fashion had decreed was the proper hour, quite a large crowd was there, ready to do anything and everything in the line of amusement. We defy any place at any time, numbers considered, to show such an array of beauty, loveliness and grace as was presented. Beauties from a distance vied with our lovely home girls in forming the charming party, and the gentlemen who took part in the festivities, did not appreciate the glory of the situation, they must have had hearts of stone, or else were driving woodies. A number of married ladies and other spectators were present, witnessing the enjoyment of all the young folks. The following ladies, from a distance most royally represented their respective localities:

HOPKINSVILLE—Miss Alice Guyan, Miss Ida Greenwood, Miss Fannie Metcalf, Miss Bessie Lewis of Guthrie, visiting Miss George, all accompanied by Mr. Dick Peace, the gallant and clever salesman of Messrs. Williams & Gregory. These parties delighted the audience with beautiful strains of music on the flute and guitar, accompanied by songs. The pieces performed, consisted of quartets, trios and solos, and many other exquisite pieces which reached the soul of your correspondent. I cannot close the reminiscences of the evening without speaking in commendation of Miss Bessie Lewis' natural gift of conversational powers, whose voice at all times seemed as the ringing of dew drops on silvery leaves. Butterfly like she seemed to be flitting through life, slipping off its sweets, and chasing after sunshine and pleasure. So ends one of the most enjoyable events of the season.

March 22, 79.

TOBACCO NEWS.

Home and Foreign.

Owing to the long dry and harsh spell of weather the receipts have been light, but we look for them to increase now, as there was a fine season the latter part of the week. We quote market firm on all grades offered, there being no selections on the break. We have a large board of buyers and notice several from a distance upon the market this week. We quote

PRICES: Lugs, common \$3.00 to \$3.25; Lugs, good 3.50 to 4.00; Leaf, low 4.00 to 5.00; Common leaf 5.00 to 6.00; Medium to good 6.50 to 8.50. Selections, none offered.

Receipts for the week ending March 22nd: 131 bales, 135 inspection, 147.

The Amended Tobacco Law.

The law as amended takes effect May 1.

The tax on manufactured tobacco and snuff is fixed at 16 cents a pound. Every package of cigars must be stamped.

The rates of tax on cigars, cheroots and cigarettes are unchanged.

The registration of cigar makers is not required.

Coupon cigar stamps are not adopted.

Cigar manufacturers may leave their names off caution notices if they desire to do so.

Tobacco and snuff manufacturers must continue to print their names on caution notices.

Tenement cigar manufacturers are not prohibited.

Bonded export cigar manufacturers are not authorized.

Export tobacco bonded warehouses are not established.

Leaf tobacco may be sold by licensed persons to persons who are licensed in quantities less than the original package; in other words it is again made lawful to sell leaf tobacco at retail.

To obtain drawback a consular certificate of landing is not required.

Sales by J. K. Gant & Son since last report, March 19th: 20 Hds Lugs \$2.50 to \$4.00. 40 " Leaf \$5 to \$8.00.

Market firm on all grades. Receipts very light. We will soon be sold up to our receipts and unless we have seasons soon our sales will become quite small. We would urge our farmers to prepare their crops and meet the market, rather than hold back and accumulate large stocks to be disposed of late in the season. The crop is generally under size, but shagbushes. We are satisfied that the crop is short of general estimates.

J. K. GANT & SON.

Kelly Station.

Thanks for the gentle hint, so here goes the new year letter.

Mr. Gaines and Mr. Metcalf, of your city, were in this burg last Tuesday.

Dr. Gooch, of this place, is getting a good practice.

That last yell from D. D. gave the gal-quintessence of grace, Oh, Louisville!

Miss Alice Bobbitt, who has been sojourning in your city, returned home not long since.

We are glad to learn that Mr. Kelly's little girl, who was badly burned some time since, is rapidly convalescing.

A great deal of work is now being done by the industrious farmers of this vicinity.

John Bobbitt is the champion fox hunter in this neck to woods.

Cy. Brown is planting a crop.

A young man of this place wants to marry.

Mr. Brotherhood, of Nortonville, has organized quite an interesting school here.

Chubs bite well considering the cold weather.

The Kelly Station Debating Society is progressing finely. The boys are all respectfully invited to come down.

Recom we'd better apply for law licenses too. Hate to use fellows up in speaking though, and it don't look well not to speak at all. If we could get to be quire or deacon in a church, our cup of joy would be full.

D. C. McGreggor preaches here every 1st and 3rd Sundays.

We suggest that Role, Y. T., change his nom de plume. Circumstances and decency demand it.

As there is nothing else that I know to write of, except I'd better quit, or else write about "fishing."

Rev.

Beverly Items.

Wheat looks very well. Everything bespeaks a full crop this year.

Farmers are very busy clearing, making fences and breaking their land. A few have begun planting corn. Everything has assumed quite a business aspect since these balmy days set in. So much for spring.

Col. J. J. Robinson, a worthy and well-known citizen of this community, died at his residence last Sunday morning at 4 o'clock. His remains were interred at the Embury's burying-ground.

We were delighted with an able and impressive sermon from Elder R. C. Cave, on last Sunday morning. Bro. Cave preaches for us at liberty twice a month. We Beverlyites are very great church goers. We think our duty.

Miss Mattie Marlow, a lovely bride of Lafayette, also her brother and his pretty young bride, paid a flying visit to this neighborhood the first of the week. We wish for Mr. R's sake, that Miss Mattie would not make her visits so few and far between. We like to see his sunny smiles. Cheer up, cheer up, R. It is not very far to Lafayette.

Miss Emma McCargill, who has been visiting friends near Beverly, returned to her home, north of Hopkinsville, last Sunday.

Mr. Virgil Bradshaw, formerly a resident of this village, has just returned from Texas, where he has been for several months.

Dr. Riley has been four city recently.

Pneumonia is very prevalent now. Several have died with it in this and surrounding neighborhoods.

March 24, 1879. SEBASTIAN.

SPECIAL LOCALS.

Don't forget that the Old Reliable has been and always will be the cheapest store in town. We will receive this week a lot of calicoes which we will sell at 4 cents.

